

Licensing Sub-Committee of the Regulatory Committee

9:30am, Monday 2 March 2026

Hybrid Meeting – Dean of Guild Court Room / Microsoft Teams

Additional Correspondence Received

Response	Percentage
Yes	78%
No	18%
Don't know	4%

Items 5.15, 5.16, 5.17 – Market Operators Licence (Temporary), Public Entertainment Licence (Temporary) and Public Entertainment Licence Amusement Devices (Temporary) – Royal Highland Centre, Ingliston Road, Edinburgh – Public Safety Report.

Item 5.16 – Public Entertainment Licence (Temporary) – Royal Highland Centre, Ingliston Road, Edinburgh – Police Representative letter and EE Live Report.

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Proper Officer

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20/02/2026

Public Safety report for Terminal V

Activity Name & Date: Terminal V event, Royal Highland
Centre

APP Ref: 571413, 571349, 571350

**CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982 –
APPLICATIONS FOR TEMPORARY PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT & MARKET
OPERATORS LICENCES**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to the above application for 1 x temporary Public Entertainment Licence, 1 x temporary Public Entertainment Licence – Amusement Devices & 1 x temporary Market Operators Licence.

The following report is submitted in good faith and to provide information for the consideration of renewing the licence.

Extensive work has been undertaken with the event organisers and planning is at an advanced stage.

I recommend to committee that these licences are delegated to officers, to allow for a site inspection to take place once infrastructure is in place for the event.

Yours Faithfully,



, Event & Public Safety Operations Manager, Place Directorate



TERMINAL V

18th & 19th April 2026

Royal Highland Centre

Key Information

Live Date: 18th & 19th April 2026

Build: 13th – 17th April

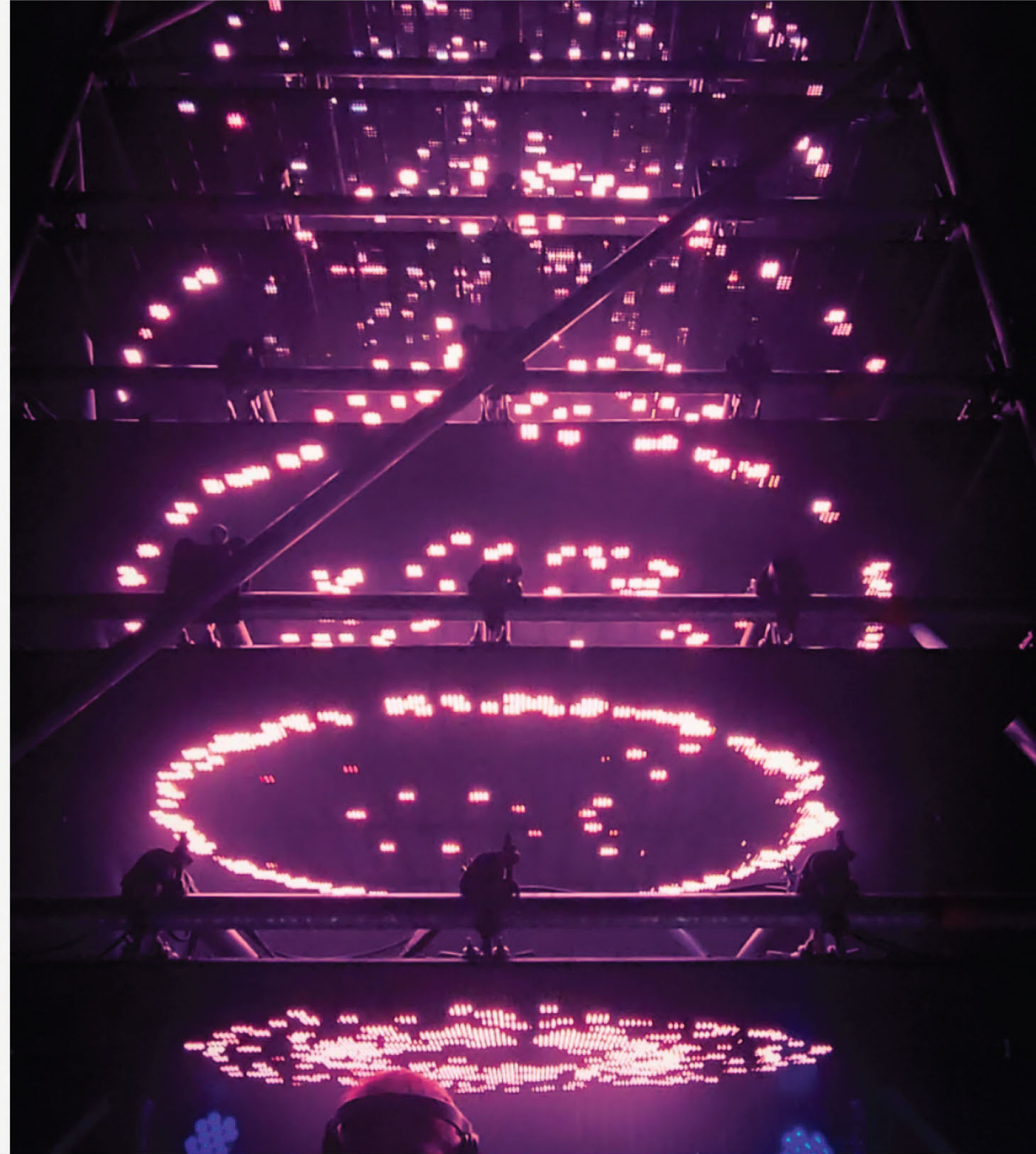
Break: 20th – 22nd April

Capacity: 20,000

Times: 12:00 – 23:00

Peak Ingress: 14:00 – 15:00

Last Entry: 17:00 (advertised as 16:00)



Audience Profile

- Expected to be 50% male and 50% female
 - Core age group being 18-29
 - Young, energetic groups
 - 70% of audience from across Scotland
 - 30% of audience from UK and Europe
 - 60% + returning customers
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Key Site Changes

- Full SteelShield perimeter at 3.2m
- Increased GP Dogs
- New information screens

Noise Strategy

- Event shortened to 2300
- Site design developed with noise impact as a core priority
- Single supplier across all stages to ensure full control and consistency
- Dedicated staff member responsible for monitoring headliners and ensuring stage volumes remain compliant
- Manufacturer-level on-site technical support

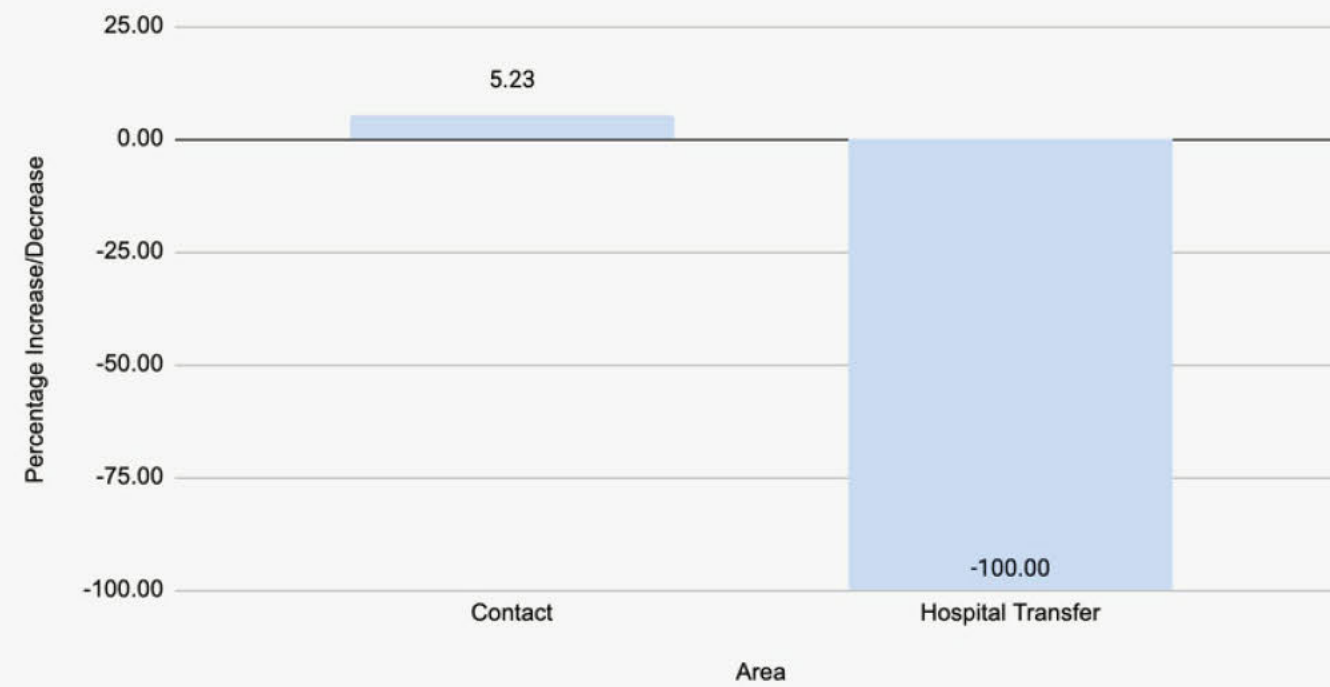


Event Trends

- Halloween 25

Medical

The below graph shows increase or decrease in reports from April 2025 event, to the 2025 Halloween event



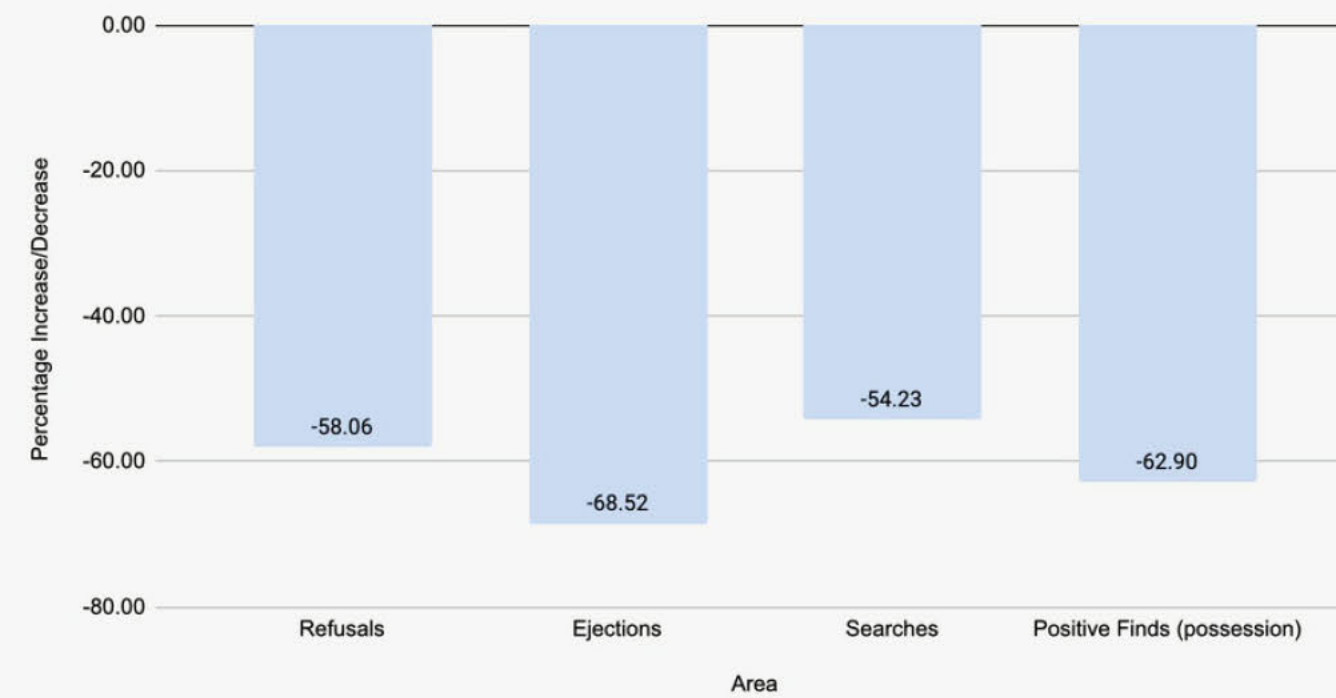
Police

The below graph shows increase or decrease in reports from April 2025 event, to the 2025 Halloween event



Security

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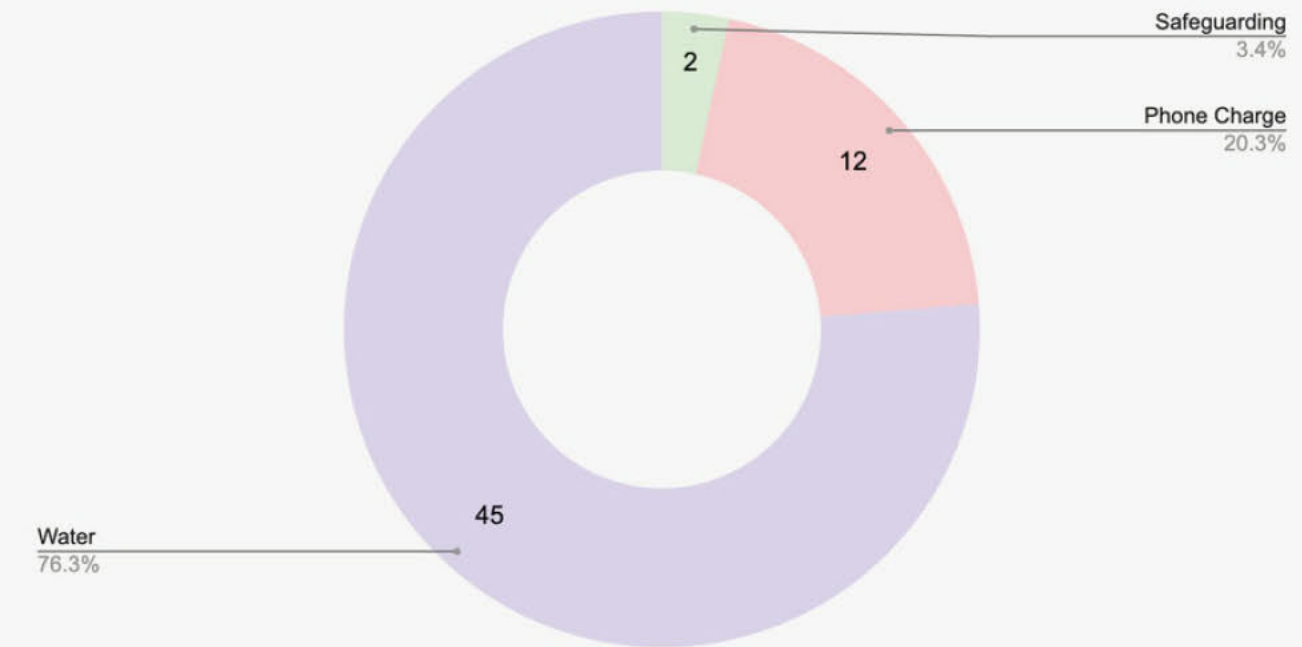


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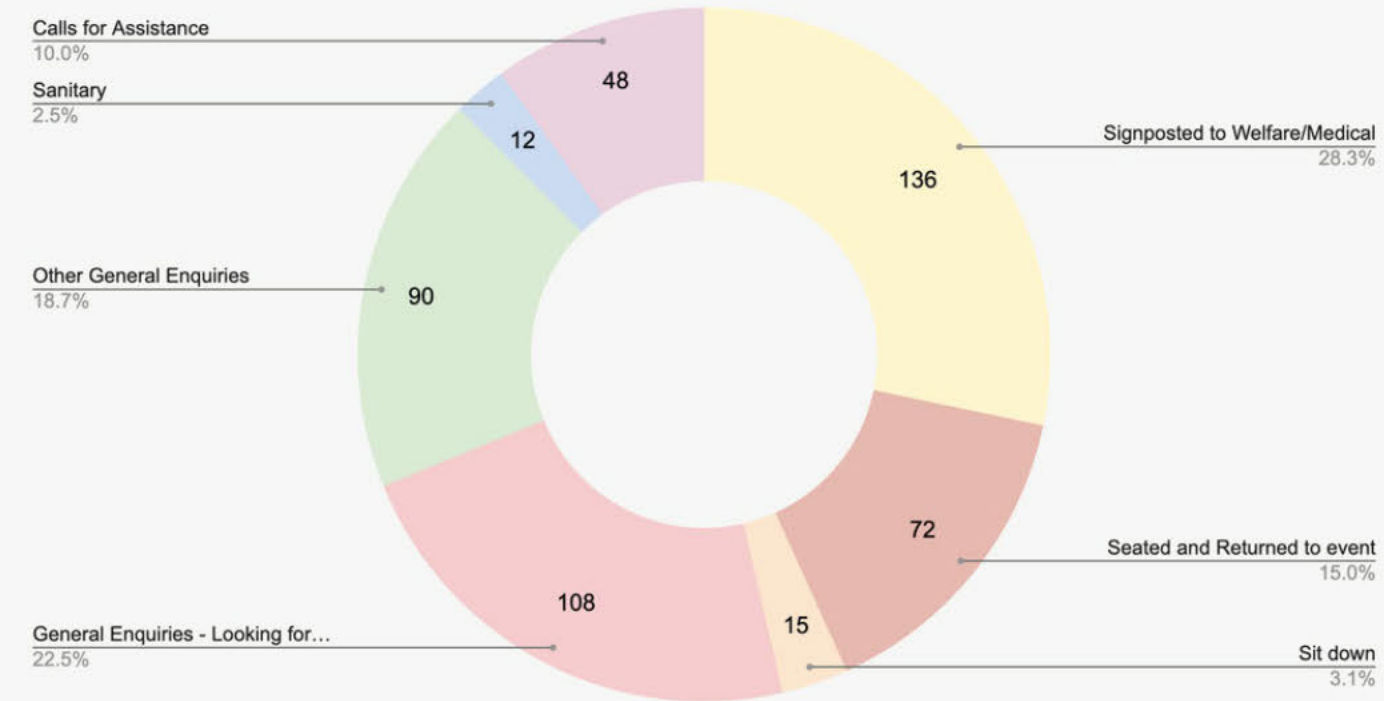
External Welfare

Breakdown of Welfare Cases per Area



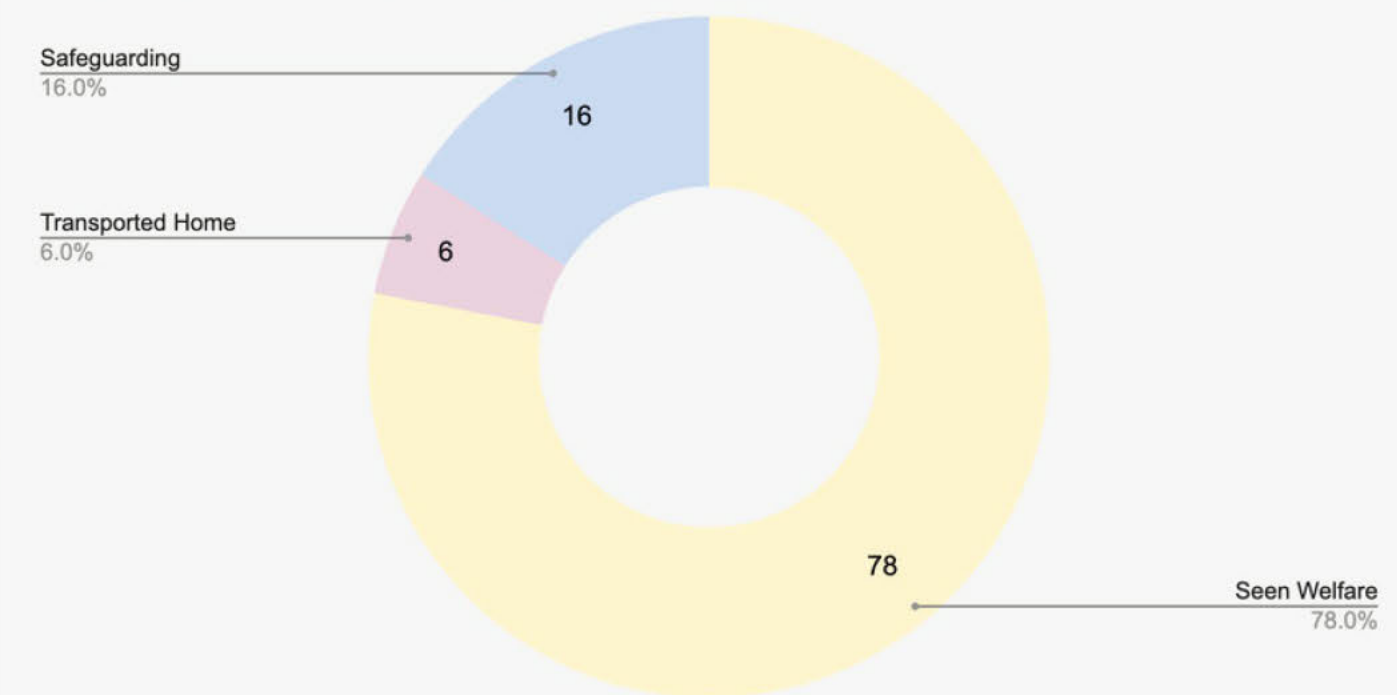
Touchpoint

Breakdown of Welfare Cases per Area



Main

Breakdown of Welfare Cases per Area



Medical

Amvale – First Aid

JL Medical – Doctors & Nurses

Locations

Medical: Strathmore Restaurant

Welfare

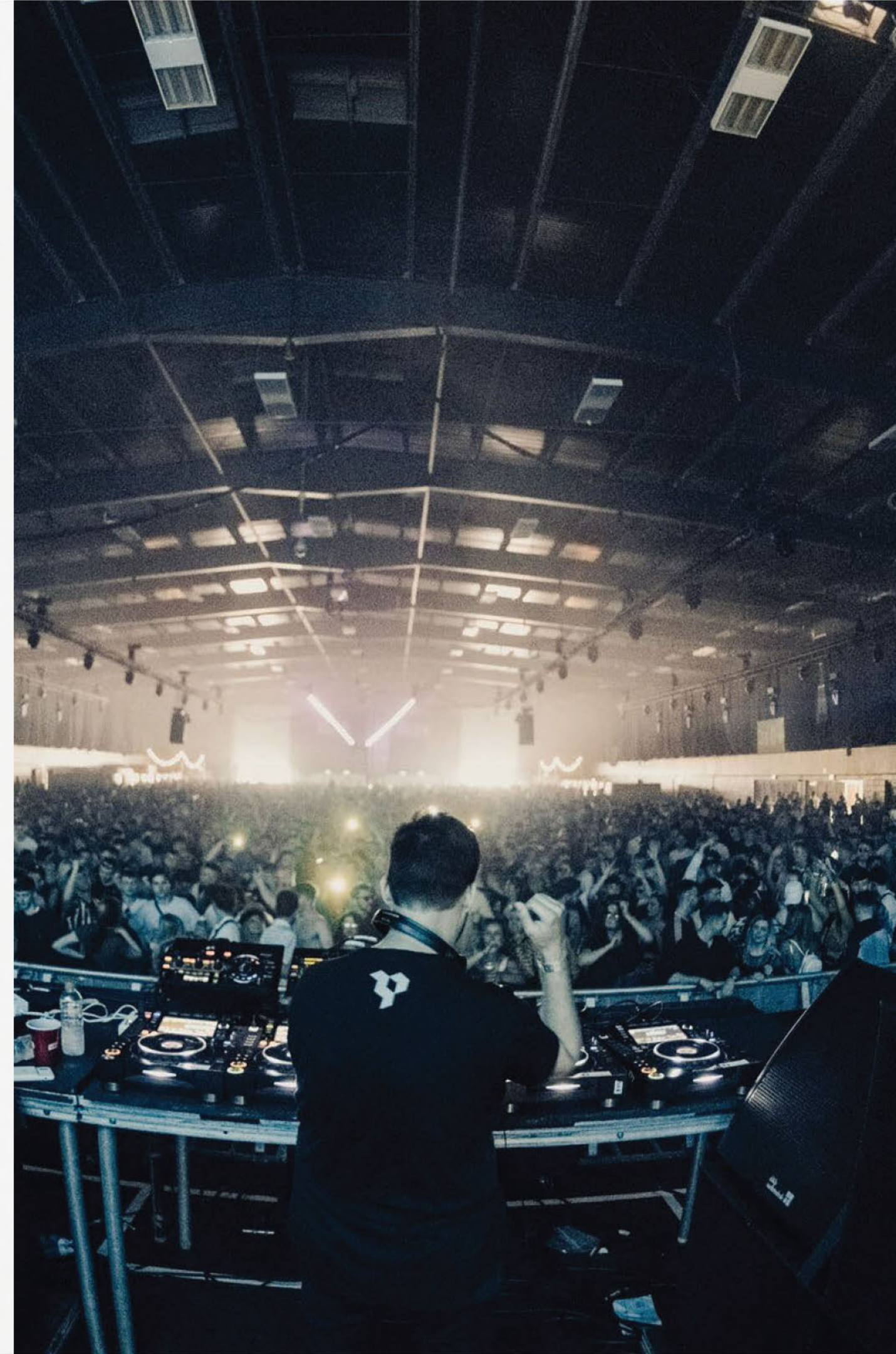
TLC Welfare

Full welfare provision & dedicated safeguarding lead

Locations

Welfare: Quaich Bar

External Welfare: Main Entrance/Exit



Traffic Management

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- Provision of full traffic management services, including the preparation and submission of all required traffic management plans

Security

G4S – [REDACTED]

- Patrol teams
- Drug detection dogs
- GP Patrol Dogs (rotating shifts, always 2x on)
- JACC Controller and CCTV Loggist



Noise Management

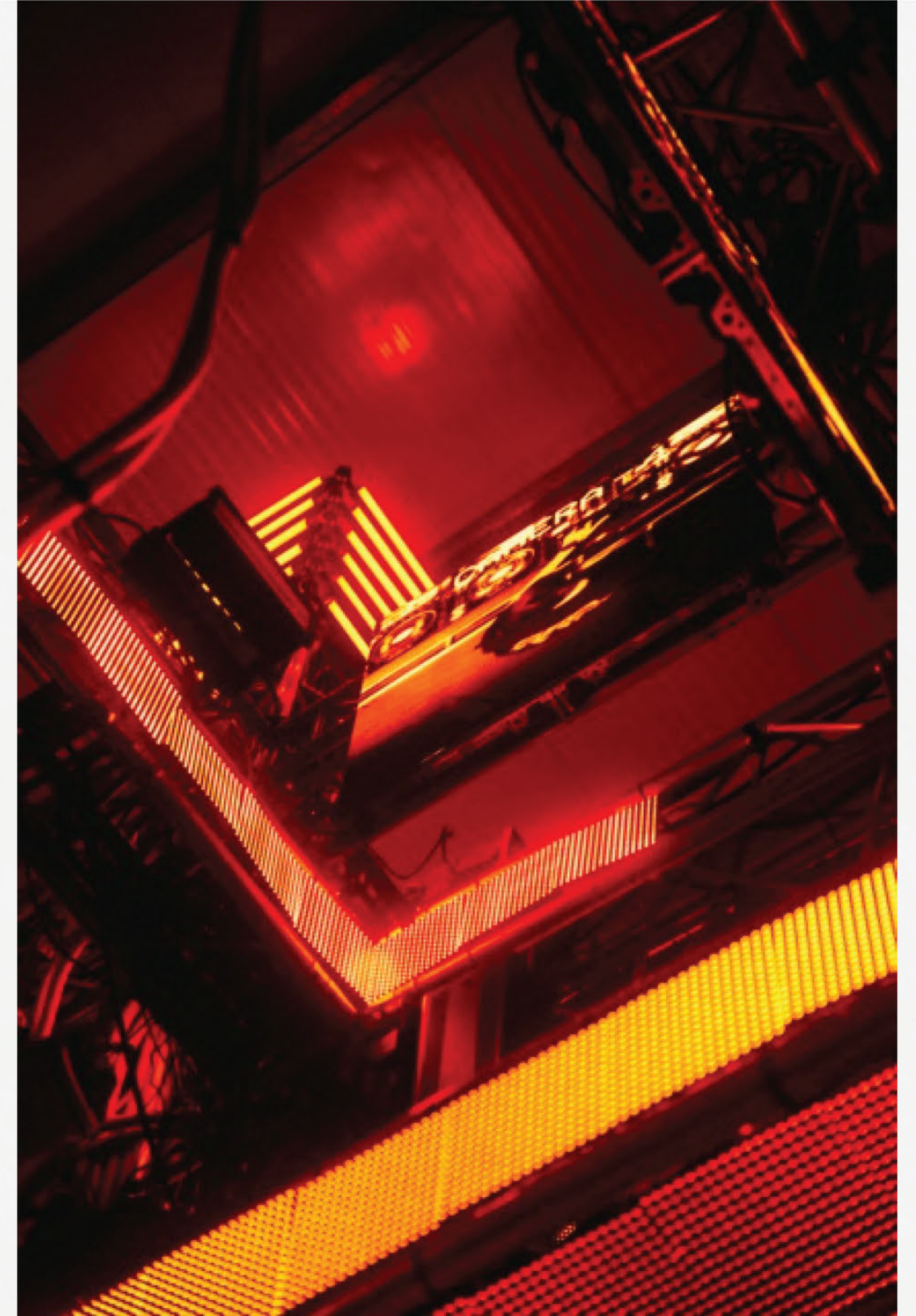
KSG Acoustics – [REDACTED]

- Noise Management Plan and on-the-ground monitoring
- Proven track record of working with local councils and the community on this sensitive topic

Community Engagement

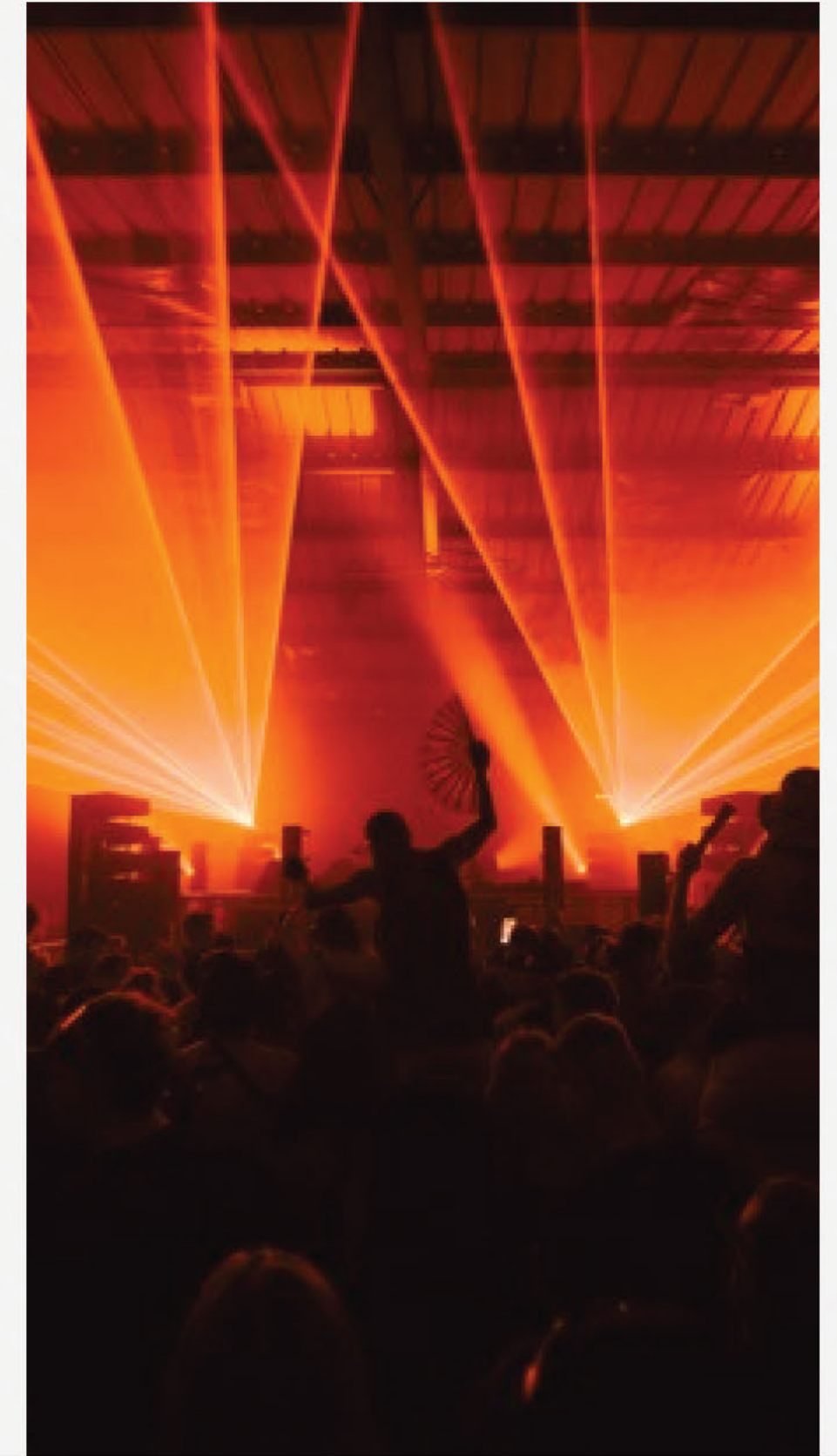
Eventos – [REDACTED]

- Ongoing Community Engagement by the Royal Highland Centre:
- Community Newsletter – end of February
- Community forum in March
- Awareness and engagement with local businesses
- Regular updates on the RHC website
- Community Hotline



Event Communications

- Essentials Guide – provides key information and necessary items to help attendees stay safe, prepared, and supported throughout the event.
- Website – regularly updated and furnished with key messaging & links to partners such as Police Scotland.
- Social Media – regular and relevant updates with attendees via social platforms
- Customer Emails – linking to the Essentials Guide and other key information
- Press Release – in advance of the event, guiding people to the above information
- On-site information screens will be in use to provide live updates
- The Terminal V app is currently being redeveloped to confirm if it will be ready for April



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10/02/2026

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Dear Sir/Madam,

**CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982
APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A TEMPORARY PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT
LICENCE – POLICE REPRESENTATION
APPLICANT: HIGHLAND CENTRE LIMITED
ROYAL HIGHLAND CENTRE, INGLISTON, EDINBURGH, EH28 8NB.**

I refer to the above application for the grant of a Temporary Public Entertainment Licence catering for an electronic music festival - "Terminal V Festival Easter 2026 – being held at the Royal Highland Centre (RHC), Ingliston.

The times and dates of the event are given as follows:

**Saturday 18th April 2026
Sunday 19th April 2026**

1200hrs – 2300hrs daily

In terms of Section 3(1) of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (the Act), I make the following police representation to assist the Committee in their considerations relating to this application.

The promoter of this event is TV Events, who are an Edinburgh-based electronic dance and event company who deliver multiple events including Terminal V.

The proposed maximum licensed capacity for this event is 20,000 persons.

Planning and delivery of this event subject to an EPOG and further meetings are scheduled between partner agencies and stakeholders. It is envisaged that

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policing resources will be agreed and formalised with the organisers through EPOG prior to the delivery of the event, as will agreement around other event resources and event management plans.

The event is considered increased risk due to the level of drug misuse, recoveries and associated risks which have occurred at previous events. Patrons attending previous events have required medical treatment which has, on occasion, resulted in hospitalisation.

The event generates a high volume of criminal cases, many of which require subsequent laboratory drug analysis and reporting of the circumstances to the Crown and Procurator Fiscal Service post-event.

At the time of writing the applicant has supplied an Event Management Plan and Site Plan (along with the TPEL application).

With regards to previous drugs misuse and medical incidents, a synopsis of activity during Terminal V in 2025 is as follows -

Summary 19th and 20th April 2025 – Terminal V

Attendance: 15,665 (Total over both days)
94 Positive Searches and drug seizures, 8 for supply offences
8 Arrests

Refusals: 97
Ejections: 85 (steward led)

208 recorded medical incidents

Summary 1st November 2025 – Terminal V Halloween

Attendance: 8,850
31 Positive Searches and drug seizures, 1 for supply offences
1 Caution and Charge for possession of offensive weapon
2 Arrests
Ejections: 15

141 recorded medical incidents

Conclusion

The information collated from previous Terminal V events, including 2025, continue to demonstrate drug misuse. Despite previous events being subject of extensive multiagency planning and mitigations, there continues to be a significant level of drugs misuse, particularly with possession and supply offences, as well as a large number of drug related medical and welfare cases.

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If the Committee are minded to grant this licence I would request that the conditions attached in the appendix are attached to the licence taking cognisance of previous issues at the event.

Of note, condition 8 is necessary given the terrorist threat level, currently set at "substantial" (meaning an attack is likely). The four-minute film, Stay Safe: Firearms and Weapons Attack sets out three key steps for keeping safe. The film is accompanied by an online information leaflet.

Submitted for your consideration of this application.

Yours faithfully

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Divisional Commander

For enquiries please contact the Licensing Department on 0300 424 6401.

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APPENDIX

Terminal V Festival – Easter 2026

Royal Highland Centre, Ingliston

Saturday 18th April 2026

Sunday 19th April 2026

1200hrs – 2300hrs daily

Proposed Licence Conditions

1. The Public Entertainment Licence is to be held on the premises for reference by any authorised officer of the Council or Police Officer.
2. The licensed area is suitably delineated and secured to prevent unauthorised access.
3. Appropriate steps must be taken to ensure that the number of patrons within the licensed area does not exceed the capacity of the premises, as agreed prior to the event.
4. An appropriate level of stewarding, in accordance with a stewarding plan to be agreed prior to the event with the event organisers to be in place to provide control of the licensed area and it's patrons. Those persons engaged in such duties are registered as door stewards with the Security Industry Authority. This should include door stewards with a designated role as floorwalkers within the event arena to monitor patrons for over-consumption and signs of disorder.
5. All security staff to be issued with a numbered / unique bib and an accurate record kept of their personal details and deployment during the event.
6. The organiser is to provide a minimum number of suitably trained and accredited dogs and handlers for drug detection at the entry point. The number will be agreed with Police Scotland prior to the event and no deviation on the day of the event is permitted without prior agreement with the Event Commander.
7. Security staff to be deployed on the approach to the event arena along the boundary fence from Ingliston road to adequately monitor patrons for drugs misuse and intoxication.
8. All staff employed to view the Run, Hide, Tell advice and view the Run, Hide, Tell, information film which can be viewed through the following link, [RUN HIDE TELL | Protect UK](#) and a record of this training being kept at the location and available for inspection by Police or Licensing Standard Officers

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9. All persons shall be subject to a 'Challenge 25' assessment and where any doubt exists they will be required to show proof that they are 18 years of age or over.
10. The applicant shall ensure there are sufficient 'alcohol awareness' trained stewards at the point of entry and within the licensed area to minimise the risk of intoxicated patrons accessing the event and to identify those within.
11. The applicant shall clearly publicise a zero tolerance drugs message on promotional materials including posters, tickets, web and social media.
12. The applicant shall have in place a comprehensive alcohol and drug management policy to the satisfaction of Police Scotland which shall be circulated to all partner agencies for comment at least 28 days in advance of the event. The provisions of these documents, and the Event Plan and Stewarding Plan, are to be adhered to for the duration of the event. Members of staff including all DJ's to be fully briefed on this.
13. The applicant shall ensure appropriate signs should be displayed at entry doors, bars and toilets stating zero tolerance to drunkenness and drug misuse.
14. The applicant shall ensure adequate provision to be made to provide care for any persons refused entry to the event due to over-intoxication due to alcohol or being under the influence of other substances.
15. The applicant shall ensure there are suitably covered welfare areas at the point of entry and within the licensed area to deal with individuals requiring support for drug and/or alcohol consumption. These areas should be staffed with trained individuals.
16. The applicant shall ensure there is sufficient and appropriate medical provision on site.
17. The applicant shall inform Police Scotland of any known travel provision for this event including times, locations and numbers travelling.
18. The applicant shall ensure that a traffic management plan is included in the event plan with clear guidance for the safe arrival of patrons.
19. All reasonable requests made by the police or other authorised officials to be complied with.
20. Any person found in possession of what is suspected to be a controlled substance is refused entry to the event, or ejected, and their ticket cancelled.
21. Any person refused entry or ejected must not be allowed to re-enter the event.
22. The licensed area is to be suitably secured to ensure no unauthorised access is allowed.

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